## LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCLAMATION



## April 11, 2018

## RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 2018 FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, 2018 marks the 50th Anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, the effort to create equal housing opportunities for all people is encouraged at every level of government; and

WHEREAS, it is an important goal of our government to eliminate housing discrimination and assure the rights of every citizen to buy, rent, and sell housing, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, familial status, national origin or disability; and

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act and Presidential Executive Order 12892 initially described the obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH); and

WHEREAS, the responsibility of participants using CDBG/HOME funds to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing is specified in great detail in the Code of Federal Regulations at 24CFR 5.150–5.180;and

WHEREAS, it is a goal of Lake County, Ohio to accord residents with an enhanced quality of life through the development of opportunities in housing, employment, education and services by the implementation of plans assure all people are afforded their rights thus fostering open inclusive communities; notably the HUD-accepted Assessment of Fair Housing - Lake County, Ohio 2017-2021 published online on the Lake County website: <a href="https://www.lakecountyohio.gov">www.lakecountyohio.gov</a>; and

WHEREAS, as an Entitlement Grantee of federal funds through the CDBG/HOME Programs the Lake County Board of Commissioners agrees that it will take specified actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH) and confidently asserts that all policies and practices adopted and in place are in conformance with applicable fair housing law and that per published 2018 HUD grant eligibility documentation there are no unresolved fair housing or civil rights matters.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board of Commissioners agrees that it will take specified actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH) and the month of April 2018 be recognized as Fair Housing Month throughout Lake County, Ohio.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners in and for Lake County hereby proclaims April 2018

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and we urge all citizens to join in this celebration by spreading awareness of the many contributions offered by the CDBG/HOME Programs as a grantee of federal funds. We also urge all citizens to support opportunities for people to become educated in the pursuit of fair housing.

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

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